

## NEWS AT LOURDES

**JOIN US AS WE PRAY THE ROSARY:** The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary Unit #300 invites you to join us on the last Sunday of each month after 8am Mass as we pray the Rosary.

**SHARE THE VISION, DOUBLE THE IMPACT:** Inspired by the courageous generosity of St. Katharine Drexel and the faithful spirit that built our parish, we are entering a powerful final stretch towards achieving our Capital Campaign goal. We are grateful for all who have generously pledged! With our matching gift from a generous donor, we have reached **\$5.75 million**—and we're within sight of our **\$6 million goal!** Through March 22, every new or additional pledge will be doubled thanks to a \$200,000 Matching Gift Challenge. **When we meet the full match, we reach our goal!** There is ample time to fulfill your pledges as the campaign will run through 2030. Click here to make [Make a new pledge or additional pledge today](#). If you have any questions, please email [honoringourhistory@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:honoringourhistory@lourdesatlanta.org).

**LENTEN ROSARY & PRAYERFUL WITNESS | Atlanta ICE Field Office | Fridays, 7:30am.** On Fridays during Lent, join a peaceful gathering outside the Atlanta ICE Field Office (180 Ted Turner Drive) to pray the Rosary. Lent is a time of standing with the suffering Christ and journeying together in hope toward the Resurrection. Our collective prayer will ask for God's mercy and compassion, and we will offer a public witness for peace and solidarity with immigrants. More information can be found [here](#).

**HALLELUJAH WORKSHOP 2026: Revive Your Spirit. Renew Your Community.** The 2026 Hallelujah Workshop is a community gathering for healing in these times based on the powers of Black Religious Expression. Thursday, July 23 – Sunday, July 26, at Xavier University of Louisiana. For more details contact: Dr. Kathleen Dorsey Bellow ([kdbellow@xula.edu](mailto:kdbellow@xula.edu)). Registration link: [Hallelujah Workshop 2026](#).

**SAVE THE DATE: August 01, 2026,** for an afternoon of elegance, connection, and purpose. Join us for the **First Inaugural Claver Derby Brunch & Impact Awards**. This thoughtfully curated celebration honoring distinguished leaders and community champions whose vision and service continue to create lasting impact. This year, we're inspired by the timeless spirit of derby day, this refined brunch experience will feature moments of recognition, inspiration, and joyful fellowship. More details to come.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH:** For disarmament and peace Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

**THE WAY FOR WOMEN** is a three-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program April 10-12, at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, Georgia.

**Registration deadline is Monday, March 30.** Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or [sstubbs@archatl.com](mailto:sstubbs@archatl.com) for more information.

**2026 GOOD FRIDAY PILGRIMAGE:** The 45th annual **Good Friday Pilgrimage**, urban stations of the cross, sponsored by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta's Justice and Peace Ministries will take place **Friday, April 3, 8:45am-12:00pm**. This walking prayer is a moving experience that includes scripture readings, reflections and music as we remember the passion of Christ and the social injustices in our world today. We will gather to begin our journey at 8:45 am. at the Catholic Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 48 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SW, Atlanta 30303. There is a midway rest at the Loudermilk Center for use of the facilities and water bottle refills. We will conclude around 12pm, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 25 Boulevard, NE. A bus will be available to return participants to our starting point where public parking is available. The two-mile route is wheelchair/stroller accessible. **All faiths are welcome!**

**\*\*For a listing of available vacancies within the Archdiocese of Atlanta visit <https://archatl.com/offices/human-resources/job-openings/> \*\***

To report abuse by church personnel:  
888.437.0764 Archdiocese of Atlanta 24 Hour Reporting Hotline  
Free Pregnancy Test – Pregnancy Aid Clinic – 404.763.4357 or [Optionline.org](http://Optionline.org)



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[www.lourdesatlanta.org](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org)

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 10am - 5:30pm

Closed for Lunch: 1pm-2pm

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 15 2026



**Celebration of the Eucharist**  
Saturdays: 5PM  
Sundays: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

**Livestream Mass**  
Sundays: 10:30 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturdays at 4:30pm and  
By appointment call  
the Church Office  
404-522-6776

**Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)**  
Contact: Ms. Kimberly Parrish  
404.247.6628/[kaparrish@hotmail.com](mailto:kaparrish@hotmail.com)

**Religious Education**  
Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen  
Director of Religious Education  
[tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org)

**Sunday School Classes**  
For Pre-K - 8th Grade

**Teen Ministry:**  
9:00am - 10:15am  
Contact: Ms. Sheena White  
(Teen Ministry Coordinator)  
Mrs. Ambra Hannah (Assistant)  
[lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org)

**Parenting Ministry**  
9:00am - 10:15am  
Contact: Ms. PJ Lemuel  
[pj.lemuel@gmail.com](mailto:pj.lemuel@gmail.com)

**Pastoral Care Team**  
Contact the Church Office  
For Prayer: 404-522-6776  
Meet: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at  
10:30AM {Virtual}

### Parish Staff

Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P., *Pastor*  
Rev. Mr. Chester Griffin, *Deacon*  
Rev. Mr. Lennison Alexander, *Deacon*  
Rev. Mr. Kenneth Bell, *Deacon*  
Mr. LeRell Ross, *Director of Music*  
Mr. Bryan Montemayor, *Music Ministry Administrator*  
Mrs. Carmen Rancifer Jenkins, *Office Manager*  
Ms. Carol Ann Pinard, *Office Administrator*  
Mr. Cameron Chaney, *Pastoral Assistant*  
Mrs. Angela Massingale, *Parish Secretary*  
Mrs. Theresa Bowen, *Director of Religious Education*  
Ms. Sheena White, *Teen Ministry Coordinator*

*Rooted in African-American Catholic history, Lourdes celebrates the Living Word of God, embraces inclusiveness, and inspires social action.*

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We are committed  
We are LOURDES

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Join our online community on **Flocknote** by texting LOURDESATL to 84576 to sign up for a ministry and receive our weekly e-newsletter!

## Ministries & Organizations

(OLLS) Alumni Association  
Calvin Washington, President  
[ollsalumni@gmail.com](mailto:ollsalumni@gmail.com)

Amazing Grace Dance Company  
Wednesdays, 7:15pm-9:15pm;  
Sundays, 1:30pm  
Open Rehearsals every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
January - October at 2:30pm  
[dancecompanyamazinggrace@gmail.com](mailto:dancecompanyamazinggrace@gmail.com)

Amazing Grace Youth Ministry  
Saturdays, 9:45am - 1:30pm  
Teresa Emmanuel  
[amazinggraceyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:amazinggraceyouthministry@gmail.com)

Associates of Sisters of the Blessed  
Sacrament  
3rd Saturdays, 3pm (virtual)  
Brenda Manson  
(404) 735-8120

Bible Study (via Zoom)  
Tuesdays, 7:00pm - 8:30pm  
Keme Hawkins & Nyrva Cadet  
(404) 522-6776

Book Store  
Contact the Church Office  
404-522-6776

Boomers and Friends  
Lynn Nixon  
[marion12lynn@gmail.com](mailto:marion12lynn@gmail.com)  
404-788-6166

Cursillo Movement/Ultreya  
1<sup>st</sup> Mondays, 7am  
Patrice Barton Smith  
[psbarton901@gmail.com](mailto:psbarton901@gmail.com)

3Ds (Drexel's Dynamic Disciples)  
Randy Gibbs (Lead)  
[mrgibbs63@gmail.com](mailto:mrgibbs63@gmail.com)  
404-956-9730

Finance Council  
Quarterly Meetings  
Dawn Leaner-Hall, Chairperson  
[ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org)

Green Team  
Shelli Stewart,  
[stewartshelli@yahoo.com](mailto:stewartshelli@yahoo.com)

Haiti Ministry  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30am Mass  
Ron Apollon  
[ronapollon@gmail.com](mailto:ronapollon@gmail.com)  
404-441-3032



## Today's Sunday Readings {4th Sunday of Lent}

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ephesians 5:8-14  
Gospel: John 9:1-41

## Next Sunday's Readings {5th Sunday of Lent}

Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11  
Gospel: John 11:1-45

## Mass Intentions

Sunday 8am for the repose of the soul + Tatum Natalia Goodman  
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul + Richard Pinard

## Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (03/07/26 - 03/13/26)		\$25,835
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (03/07/26 - 03/13/26)	\$10,085	
Online Offertory (03/07/26 - 03/13/26)	\$15,750	
Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 25-26):		\$27,885

Consider setting up on-line giving today!

Visit: <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/funds>.

Thank you for your support of the mission and ministry of Our Lady of Lourdes

## 2026 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

**"We are One Body in Christ. Called to Serve"**

Lourdes Parish Goal:	\$137,241
Amount Paid (03/13/26)	\$16,905
Over/(Under Goal)	(\$120,336)

For more information or to donate online

visit [lifeofthechurch.com/donate](http://lifeofthechurch.com/donate). Thank you for your generosity.

## Thoughts on Stewardship

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? None of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Karen Allen,	Angela Eton	Melody McIntyre	Gwendolyn Thompson,
Kennan Allen,	Joyce Foley,	Jeremy Moon,	Frank Tighe,
Cherry Banez,	Barbara Hagan,	Evette Oates,	Sandra Turner,
Sandy Bell,	Pamela Haley,	Katie Price,	Helen Vance,
Susie Bell,	Frank Howard,	Eisenhower Raines,	Josette Walker,
Deanna Blasingame,	Georgia Hutchinson,	Josephine Rosario,	Valerie West,
Gerrard 'Aviel' Boyd,	Jackson Igou,	Mildred Rucker,	Michelle Wilkinson,
David Brower,	Geraldine Jackson White,	Alana Shepard,	Teresa Williams
Edward Branch,	James Jordan,	Barbara Smith,	
Frederick Cannon,	Felix Lawrence,	Kevin Smith,	
Luella Chambers,	Janet Lawrence,	Scindy Stewart,	
Sam Cooper,	Kyle Anderson,	Wendy Stewart,	
Betty Davis,	Gloria Manson,	Johnnie Strong,	
Christian Doute,	James McEwan,	Jean-Luc Tahou,	

The deadline for Bulletin and Lourdes Notes (Flocknote) content is  
Wednesday at 12:00 noon.

Please email [cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org). Bulletins and Inserts are always available on our website: [www.lourdesatlanta.org](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org).

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**BIBLE STUDY**- Our Lady of Lourdes Bible Study continues Tuesday, **March 17 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm EST** as we delve into **John Chapter 15**. In this chapter, Jesus describes Himself as the true vine and calls His followers to abide in Him. We will reflect on what it means to remain connected to Christ, bear fruit, and live out His commandment to love one another.

Join the Bible Study Zoom Meeting link:

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzIxZz09>

Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

Suggested Reading (John 15 – NRSV):

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+15&version=NRSV>

**COMMUNAL LENTEN TAIZÉ SERVICE:** Our Lady of Lourdes will join the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and Basilica of Sacred Heart for a Communal Taizé Service of song, silence and reconciliation titled **"The Way Home"** on **Thursday, March 19 from 7:00pm - 8:00pm** at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception-48 MLK Jr. Drive SW, Atlanta, GA 30303. All are welcome!

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Friday during Lent thru **March 27 at 7pm** in the church. Thank you to Boomers and Friends for leading the stations on Friday. This Friday, March 20 the stations will be led by Stephen Ministry. Our final stations on March 27 will be led by Ultreya Group.

**LENTEN FISH FRY:** Come and fellowship with the Lourdes Knights of Peter Claver in the cafeteria as they host their Annual Lenten Fish Fry Fund-raiser from **6:00pm - 8:30pm**, now through **Friday March 27**.

**MINDFUL MONDAYS:** In alignment with our 2026 theme **"Peace Be Still: A Journey Toward Mental Well-Being"** The Health Promotions Ministry extends a heartfelt invitation to join us virtually for **Mindful Mondays throughout Lent starting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm**. See Bulletin Insert: <https://lourdesatlanta.org/2026/01/06/bulletin-2026/>.

**JOIN US AS WE PARY THE ROSARY:** The Associates of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament (ASBS) will lead the Rosary every **Saturday at 4:30pm** before the 5pm Mass.

## LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

<b>March 15</b> Helen Tritschler John Danavall Kristen Laffler Lourdes Nyaku Michael Ebner	Adam P. Rose Agathia Jenkins Barrett Benjamin Cynthia Marbury Keela Boyce Marlene Alexander Patricia Byse Shukuri Harayandi	Nevienne Tate-Alpough <b>March 19</b> Anna Chard Bryant Livsey Eve Baldwin Lisa Landers Lucille Williams Paul Boyce Steven Garner Trinity Wilson	Kristen Cadray Staci Brooks <b>March 21</b> Callen O'Brien Roth Ellis Hutchinson Ian Beckford Larry Crutchfield Mary Harrison Matthew Amos Moira Ujda Sharon Morris
<b>March 16</b> Dominique Johnson Jaydon Carpenter Joseph Carpenter Julian Saintil Reginald Poellnitz Ryen Evans Tristyn Wheeler	<b>March 18</b> David Kuoch Ezra Kyiamah Fadel Baba Sakponou Jade Everstz Janice Wise Parker Marcia Halyard Marielle Campbell	<b>March 20</b> Hakizimana Gabriel Helen Smith Jaiden Avery JaQuane Jones	

## Ministries & Organizations

Health Promotions Ministry  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the 10:30am Mass  
LaSheka Morris (Lead)  
[ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com](mailto:ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com)

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass  
Clima White, Grand Knight  
[climajwhite@hotmail.com](mailto:climajwhite@hotmail.com)

KPC Junior Knights  
Kwame Nyaku, Junior Commander  
[knyaku@gmail.com](mailto:knyaku@gmail.com)

KPC Ladies Auxiliary  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30am Mass  
Taninma "Ninma" Logan, Grand Lady  
[ollgrandlady@gmail.com](mailto:ollgrandlady@gmail.com)

KPC Junior Daughters  
Allison Joyner, Counselor  
[jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com](mailto:jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com)

Lourdes Lunch  
Tuesday & Thursday,  
September - June  
Thayes Sturgis, Coordinator  
(404) 375-0838

Liturgy Committee  
Contact: Rev. Jeffery Ott  
[jott@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:jott@lourdesatlanta.org)

Men's Ministry  
Deacon Kenneth Bell, Facilitator  
Contact the Church Office  
404-522-6776

Parenting Ministry  
Sunday at 9:00am  
P.J. Lemuel, Facilitator  
(770) 981-7226

Social Action Committee  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after the 10:30am Mass  
Kiana Wright, John Schwenkler &  
Beatrice Soublet

Stephen Ministry Leaders  
Lennon Alexander, (404) 644-7554;  
Fr. Jeffery Ott, (404) 997-3867

St. Vincent de Paul Society  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after 10:30am Mass  
Nathaniel Papillion, Chair  
SVDP Hotline (678) 892-6163

Millen-Z Ministry (Young Adult Group)  
Nikki Mooror  
[nmoorers154@gmail.com](mailto:nmoorers154@gmail.com)

Young at Heart (Seniors)  
Contact the Church Office